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CRL OP Nos. 25041 & 25236 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10-10-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

CRL OP Nos. 25041 & 25236 of 2025

AND

CRL MP NOs.18051 & 18927 of 2025

CRL OP No.25041 of 2025:

Manjunath

Petitioner/Accused No.7 in CRL OP No.25041 of
2025

Vs

The State Represented by the Inspector of Police
Adiyamankotta Police Station, Dharmapuri.
(Crime No.289/2025)

Respondent in CRL OP
No.25041 of 2025

CRL OP No. 25236 of 2025:

1. Vinodha

2.Ramaka

3.Arathi

Petitioners /Accused Nos.1, 3 & 4 in
CRL OP No.25236 of 2025

Vs

The State Represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Adiyamankottai Police Station,
Dharmapuri. Crime No.289/2025

Respondent(s) in Crl.OP No.25236 of
2025



Common Prayer: These Criminal Original Petitions are filed under Section 482 of BNSS, to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest in respect of Crime No.289 of 2025 pending on the file of the respondent police.

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For Petitioner(s): Mr.M.Selvam
For Intervenor: M/s.Darsini Priya G.P.

For Respondent(s): Mr.A.Gopinath
Government Advocate (Crl.side)

COMMON ORDER

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest by the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 420 of IPC, in Crime No.289 of 2025, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners along with other accused colluded and received a sum of Rs.47,85,250/- from the defacto complainant, purportedly for land development purposes. The defacto complainant transferred the said amount to the bank accounts associated with the accused persons relying on their representations. However, the petitioners and other accused subsequently failed to refund the money and cheated the defacto complainant. Hence, the case.



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3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the entire transaction in question occurred between A2 and the defacto complainant. The petitioners being the relatives of A2 and their account numbers utilized by A2 without their direct involvement. The contention of the petitioners is that they did not receive any monetary benefits from the defacto complainant. Based on the circumstances the learned counsel prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) for the respondent submitted that a substantial amount was transferred to the account of A3, whereas only a minor amount was transferred to the accounts of A4 and A7. According to him, A1 received Rs.2,50,000/- and A3 received Rs.29,00,000/-. It is also stated that, except for Rs.73,010/-, no money has been recovered so far. Hence, I am of the view that granting anticipatory bail to the 1st petitioner, Vinodha (A1), and the 2nd petitioner, Ramaka (A3), in Crl.OP.No.25236 of 2025 would hamper the investigation. Therefore, I am not inclined to grant



anticipatory bail to the 1st petitioner, Vinodha (A1) and 2nd petitioner, Ramaka (A3), in Crl.OP.No.25236 of 2025. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed as to the 1st petitioner, Vinodha (A1) and the 2nd petitioner, Ramaka (A3) in Crl.OP No.25236 of 2025.

5. As far as the 3rd petitioner, Arathi (A4), in Crl.OP No.25236 of 2025, and the petitioner, Manjunath (A7), in Crl OP No.25041 of 2025, are concerned, since the allegations against these petitioners are minor in nature, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the 3rd petitioner, Arathi (A4) in Crl.OP No.25236 of 2025, and the petitioner, Manjunath (A7) in Crl OP No.25041 of 2025, subject to certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the 3rd petitioner, Arathi (A4) in Crl.OP.No.25236 of 2025 and the petitioner, Manjunath (A7) in Crl Op No.25041 of 2025 are ordered to be released on anticipatory bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order before the *learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Dharmapuri*



on condition that the Arathi/A4 and Manjunath/A7 shall execute a separate bond for a sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand Only), each with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

- (a) the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;
- (b) the Arathi/A4 and Manjunath/A7 shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am, for a period of three weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;**
- (c) the Arathi/A4 and Manjunath/A7 shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;
- (d) the Arathi/A4 and Manjunath/A7 shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;
- (e) on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/ Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the Arathi/A4 and Manjunath/A7 in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the Arathi/A4 and



Manjunath/A7 released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in

P.K.Shaji Vs. State of Kerala [(2005) AIR SCW 5560]; and;

(f) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To

- 1.The State Represented by the
Inspector of Police
Adiyamankotta Police Station,
Dharmapuri. (Crime No.289/2025)
- 2.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.
- 3.The Judicial Magistrate-II
Dharmapuri.



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